

PUBLIC NOTICE

US Army Corps of Engineers New York District Jacob K. Javits Federal Building New York, N.Y. 10278-0090 ATTN: Regulatory Branch

In replying refer to:

Public Notice Number: 2005-00989-YS Issue Date: December 20, 2005 Expiration Date: January 20, 2006

To Whom It May Concern:

The New York District, Corps of Engineers has received an application for a Department of the Army permit pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344).

APPLICANT: Jeffrey McDonald/Bernard Leiner

45 Seely Place

Scarsdale, NY 10583

ACTIVITY: Road Fill for Subdivision

WATERWAY: Unnamed tributary to West Branch Croton River of the Hudson River

LOCATION: Lockwood Lane, Town of Carmel, Putnam County, New York.

A detailed description and plans of the applicant's activity are enclosed to assist in your review.

The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact, including cumulative impacts, of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefits which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historical properties, fish and wildlife values, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, consideration of property ownership and,in general the needs and welfare of the people.

The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

ALL COMMENTS REGARDING THE PERMIT APPLICATION MUST BE PREPARED IN WRITING AND MAILED TO REACH THIS OFFICE BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE OF THIS NOTICE, otherwise, it will be presumed that there are no objections to the activity.

Any person may request, in writing, before this public notice expires, that a public hearing be held to collect information necessary to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons why a public hearing should be held. It should be noted that information

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submitted by mail is considered just as carefully in the permit decision process and bears the same weight as that furnished at a public hearing.

Our preliminary determination is that the activity for which authorization is sought herein is not likely to affect any Federally endangered or threatened species or their critical habitat. However, pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531), the District Engineer is consulting with the appropriate Federal agency to determine the presence of and potential impacts to listed species in the project area or their critical habitat.

Based upon a review of the latest published version of the National Register of Historic Places, there are no known sites eligible for, or included in, the Register within the permit area. Presently unknown archeological, scientific, prehistorical, or historical data may be lost by work accomplished under the required permit.

Reviews of activities pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act will include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, under authority of Section 404 (b) of the Clean Water Act and the applicant will obtain a water quality certificate or waiver from the appropriate state agency in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act prior to a permit decision.

Pursuant to Section 307 (c) of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 as amended [16 U.S.C. 1456 (c)], for activities under consideration that are located within the coastal zone of a state which has a federally approved coastal zone management program, the applicant has certified in the permit application that the activity complies with, and will be conducted in a manner that is consistent with, the approved state coastal zone management program. By this public notice, we are requesting the state's concurrence with, objection to, or waiver of the applicant's certification. No permit decision will be made until one of these actions occur. For activities within the coastal zone of New York State, the applicant's certification and accompanying information is available from the Consistency Coordinator, New York State Department of State, Division of Coastal Resources and Waterfront Revitalization, Coastal Zone Management Program, 41 State Street, Albany, New York 12231, Telephone (518) 474-6000. Comments regarding the applicant's certification, and copies of any letters to this office commenting upon this proposal, should be so addressed.

In addition to any required water quality certificate and coastal zone management program concurrence, the applicant has obtained or requested the following governmental authorization for the activity under consideration: New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and Town of Caramel

It is requested that you communicate the foregoing information concerning the activity to any persons known by you to be interested and who did not receive a copy of this notice. If you have any questions concerning this application, you may contact this office at (212) 264-0183 and ask for Steven A. Schumach.

For more information on New York District Corps of Engineers programs, visit our website at http://www.nan.usace.army.mil

Chief, Regulatory Branch

Enclosures

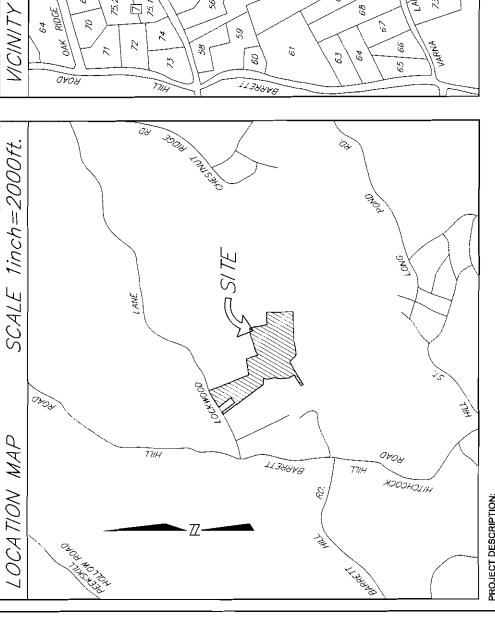
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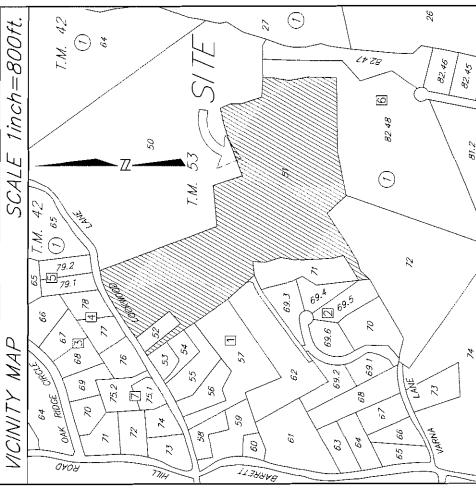
The applicant, Jeffrey McDonald/Bernard Leiner, has requested Department of the Army authorization to construct a road to facilitate the construction of a residential subdivision in an unnamed tributary of the West Branch of the Croton River at Lockwood Lane, Town of Carmel, Putnam County, New York.

The work would involve the discharge of fill 365 cubic yards of clean fill into 0.33 acres of wetlands for the construction of an access road. The applicant would place a silt fence at the limit of the wetland fill to contain the fill on the project site. The remainder of the road and other construction at the site would be on upland (non-wetland) property located out of Department of the Army jurisdiction.

As mitigation, the applicant proposes to create 0.37 acres of freshwater wetlands. Adjacent to the mitigation area would be a proposed stormwater quality basin of 0.31 acres, which would treat road runoff prior to its reaching the wetlands. A berm would be built in the basin to allow water to pond at the bottom of the basin.

The stated purpose of this project is to construct a road to provide access to a proposed residential subdivision. It is noted that this project was authorized by Corps of Engineers Nationwide Permit Number 26 on June 5, 2000. The Nationwide permit expired, and the work was not done. Nationwide permit number 26 was not reissued, and the application is being processed as an individual permit application.





PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The owners propose to subdivide a thirty-six (36) acre parcel into ten (10) residential building tots and one (1) additional common property that will accommodate the common SSTS. The loss will range in size from one and a nation (1/3) acres, averaging three (3) acres in size. A common subsurface sewage disposal system will be located on lot 11 and private individual drilled wells will service each lot. A new 2,030 LF Private Road will access the new lots. The road will have a paved wearing surface. A combination of swales, cross culverts, catch basins and curbing will collect surface runoff from the roadway and convey the stomwater to its ultimate discharge location.

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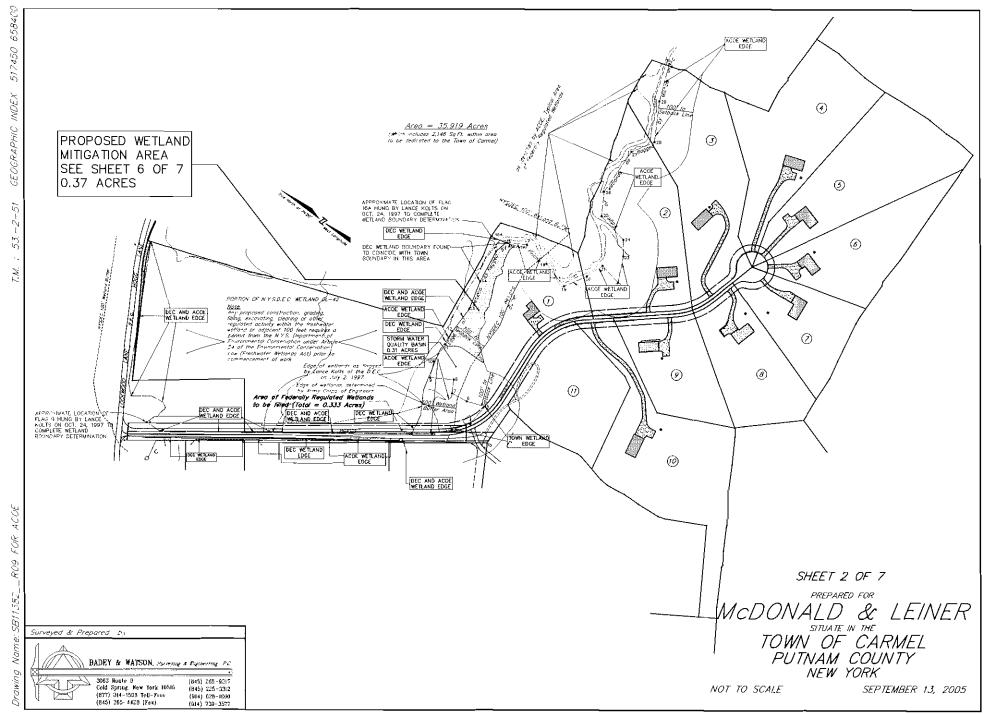
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- Construction of 0.37 acres of new wetlands to replace the disturbed area. In addition to this replacement area, a shallow water quality basin, 0.31 acres in size, is also being designed to have wetland characteristics. I mestion to this replacement area to read before it reaches the wetland. Existing overland flow from mainly offsite areas on the other side of the proposed road will continue to reach the wetland by persion through culverts and the stormwater quality basin.

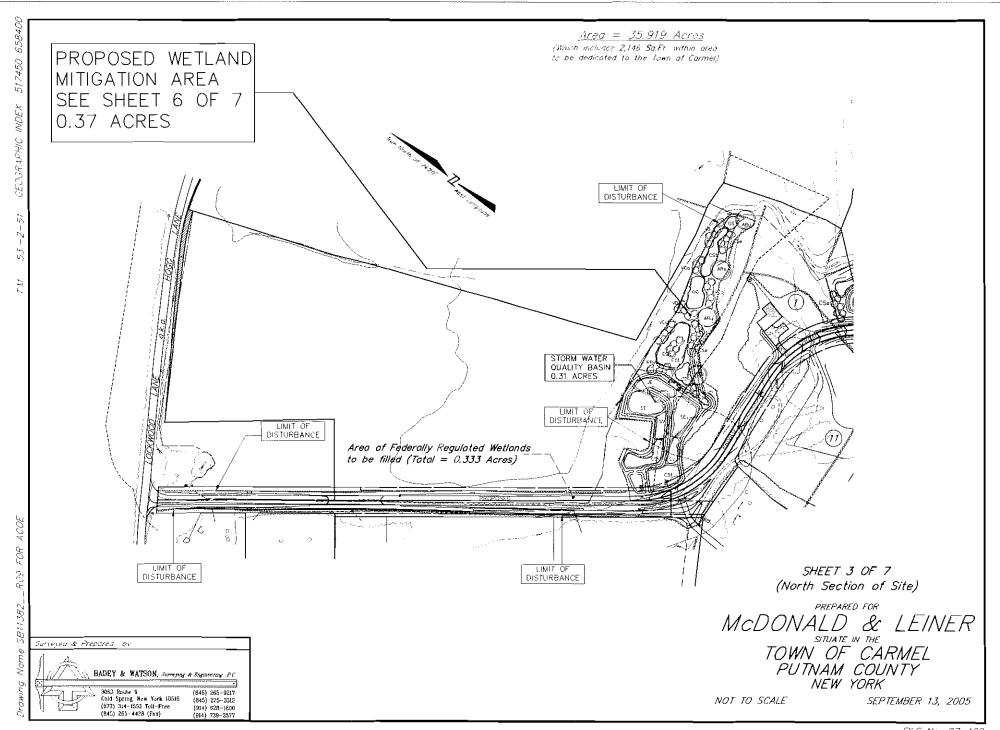
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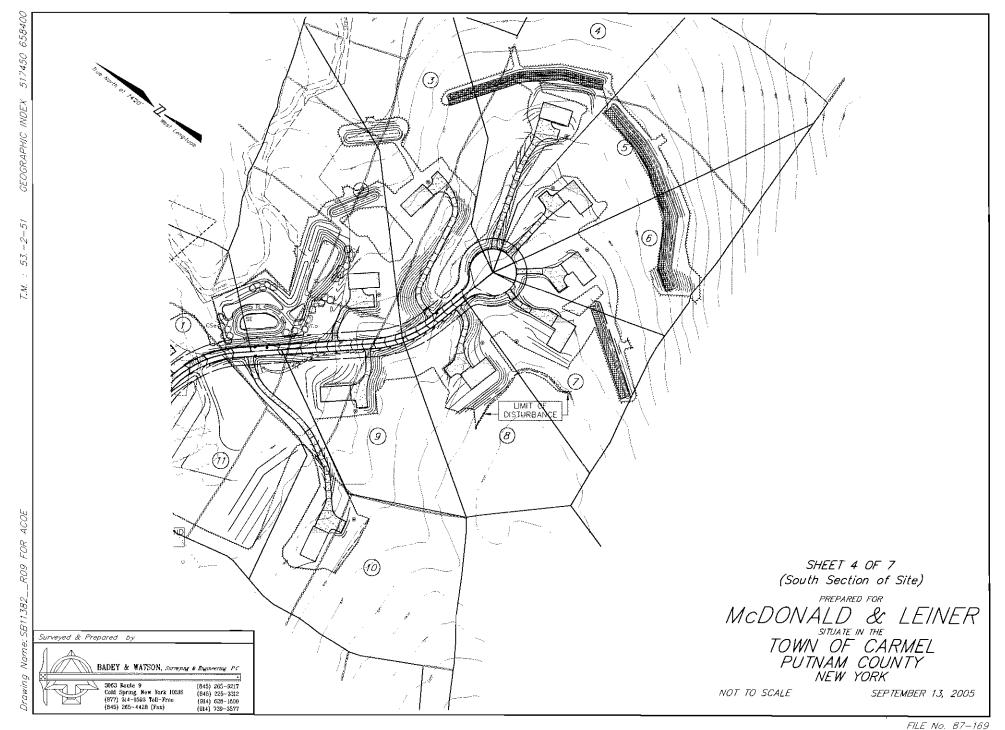
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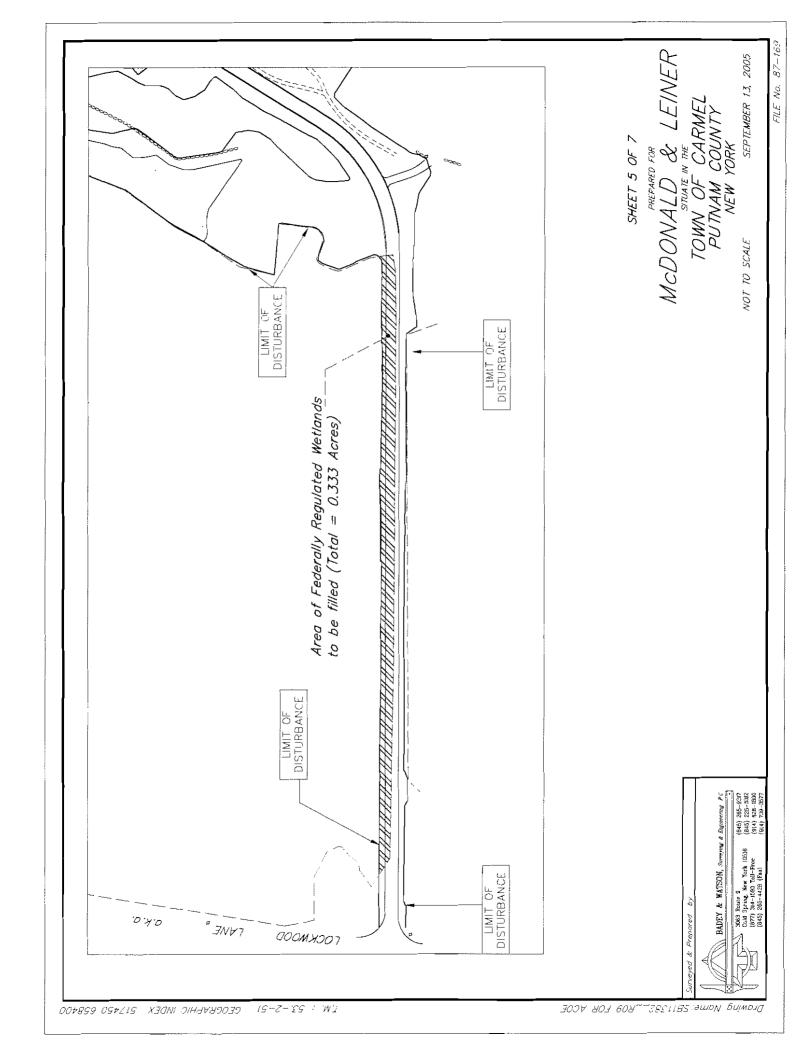
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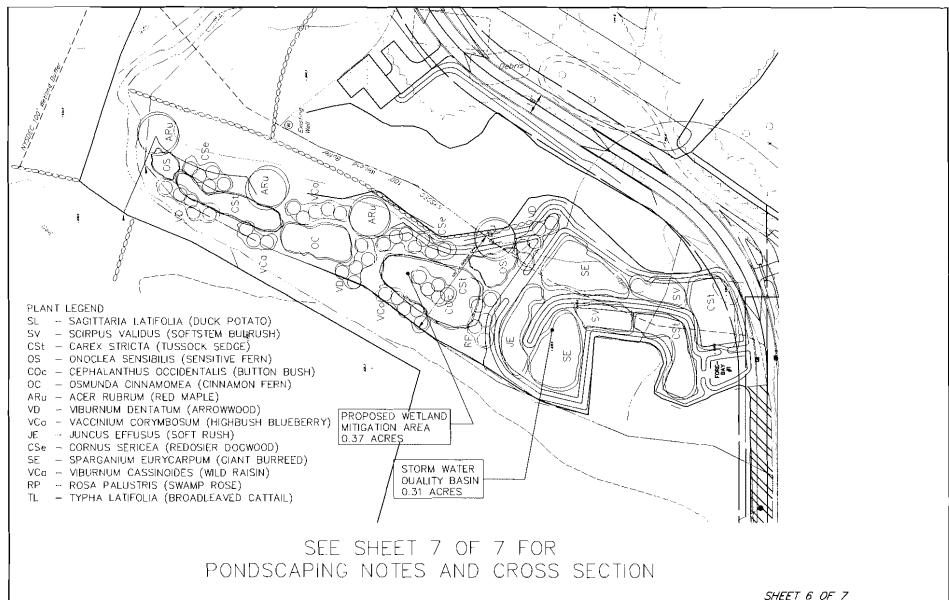
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